National Transportation Safety Board NTSB ID: DEN02LA041 Aircraft Registration Number: N4730Q FACTUAL REPORT Occurrence Date: 04/28/2002 Most Critical Injury: None Occurrence Type: Accident Investigated By: NTSB ETYBO Location/Time Nearest City/Place State Zip Code Local Time Time Zone CO 80631 1200 **MDT** Greeley Distance From Landing Facility: 0.5 Direction From Airport: 270 Airport Proximity: On Airport Aircraft Information Summary

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Aircraft Manufacturer Model/Series Type of Aircraft

Cessna A185E Airplane

Sightseeing Flight: No Air Medical Transport Flight: No

Narrative

Brief narrative statement of facts, conditions and circumstances pertinent to the accident/incident:

On April 28, 2002, approximately 1200 mountain daylight time, a Cessna A185E, N4730Q, piloted by an airline transport pilot, sustained substantial damage when the airplane ground-looped during landing at the Greeley/Weld County Airport (GXY), Greeley, Colorado. Visual meteorological conditions prevailed at the time of the accident. The instructional flight was being conducted under the provisions of Title 14 CFR Part 91 and was not operating on a flight plan. The instructor pilot and airline transport pilot-rated dual student reported no injuries. The local flight originated approximately 1100.

The pilot receiving instruction said, "Late in landing roll on runway 9 (6,210 feet by 100 feet, dry asphalt) at approximately 25-30 mph brakes were applied and left brake failed due to ruptured brake line. Airplane veered right and ground-looped causing left wing tip and left elevator to contact runway."

An examination of the airplane revealed the outer portion of the front main spar, two ribs, and a portion of the rear spar to the airplane's left wing were bent upward and aft. The airplane's left wing tip was broken aft. The top skin of the left wing showed wrinkling. The left aileron was bent slightly upward. The bottom left elevator skin showed scraping. Flight control continuity was confirmed. An examination of the airplane's engine and engine controls showed no anomalies. An examination of the left main landing gear showed that a portion of the left wheel rim was broken. The left tire showed heavy rubs in the outer wall and tread. The left brake line was cracked, flattened, and leaking brake fluid.

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Landing Facility/Approach Inf	ormation	•											
Airport Name	Airport ID:	: Airport Elev	irport Elevation Runway Used		Runwa	Runway Length		Run	way Width				
Greeley-Weld County Airport G				4658 1	t. MSI	_ 09	09 6210)		100		
Runway Surface Type: Asphalt													
Runway Surface Condition: Dry													
Type Instrument Approach: NONE													
VFR Approach/Landing: Full Stop;	Traffic Pattern												
Aircraft Information													
Aircraft Manufacturer Cessna				lel/Series 85E					Serial Number 185-1184				
Airworthiness Certificate(s): Norma	al												
Landing Gear Type: Tailwheel													
Homebuilt Aircraft? No						Certified Max Gross Wt.				lumber of Engines: 1			
9 11			Engine Manufacturer: Model/Ser Continental IO-520-E									Rated Power: 300 HP	
- Aircraft Inspection Information							•						
Type of Last Inspection	Date of Last Inspection Time			Time Si	Since Last Inspection				Airframe Total Time				
Annual			02/2002				3823 Hours						
- Emergency Locator Transmitter (E	ELT) Information												
ELT Installed? Yes	ELT Installed? Yes ELT Operated? No				EL	T Aided i	n Locating A	ccident S	Site? No)			
Owner/Operator Information													
Registered Aircraft Owner	Street Address 43 Sylvan Way												
Brad and Arden Lindsey			City								te	Zip Code	
				Dubois W Street Address								82513	
Operator of Aircraft	Same as Reg'd Aircraft Owner												
Same as Reg'd Aircraft Owner				City							te	Zip Code	
Operator Does Business As:	!	Operator Designator Code:											
- Type of U.S. Certificate(s) Held: N	lone					·							
Air Carrier Operating Certificate(s):													
Operating Certificate:				Operator	Certifi	cate:							
Regulation Flight Conducted Under	: Part 91: Genera	al Aviati	ion	•									
Type of Flight Operation Conducted	: Instructional												
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First Pilot Information											
Name	City				te D	ate of Birth	Age				
On File	On File	le			File (On File	65				
Sex: M Seat Occupied	n Pilot	ot Certificate Number: On File									
Certificate(s): Flight Instructor; Commercial											
Airplane Rating(s): Multi-engine Land; Single-engine Land											
Rotorcraft/Glider/LTA: None											
Instrument Rating(s): Airplane											
Instructor Rating(s): Airplane Multi-engine; Airplane Single-engine; Instrument Airplane											
Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft? No Current Biennial Flight Review? 03/2002											
Medical Cert.: Class 2	ivers/lim.	Tim. Date of Last Medical Exam: 08/2001									
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- Flight Time Matrix	- Flight Time Matrix All A/C This Make and Model		Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Mult-Engine	Night	Ins Actual	trument Simulated	F	Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter Than Air
Total Time	19100	12000	16875	2225	913	72	1	85			
Pilot In Command(PIC)	18000	12000	14000	2225	913	72		55			
Instructor	2500	800	2385	115	100	2	5	80			
Last 90 Days Last 30 Days	176 97	165 96	176 97		1		+	+		+	
Last 30 Days 97 96 Last 24 Hours 5 5		5							+		
Seatbelt Used? Yes	Toxic	Toxicology Performed? No Second Pilot? Yes									
	<u> </u>	lder Harness			I						
Flight Plan/Itinerary											
Type of Flight Plan Filed: N	one										
Departure Point					State	State Airport Ide		dentifier Departu		ure Time	Time Zone
Same as Accident/Incide		GXY		ΥY			MDT				
Destination	State	e Ai	irport Identifier								
Local Flight		GXY		KY							
Type of Clearance: None											
Type of Airspace: Class E											
Weather Information											
Source of Briefing: No record of briefing											
Method of Briefing: Unknown											
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Weather Information													
WOF ID	Observation Time	Time Zone	WOF Elevati	on	WOF Distance From Accident Site					Direction From Accident Site			
GXY	1155	MDT	4658 Ft.	. MSL	1 NM					270 Deg. Mag.			
Sky/Lowes	st Cloud Condition: Clea		Ft. AGL					Condition of Light: Day					
Lowest Ce	eiling: None	Ft.	Ft. AGL Visi			10	SM	Alti	meter:	30.00	"Hg		
Temperature: 18 °C Dew Point:				Wind	Direction:	10	nsity Altitude:	6035	Ft.				
Wind Spee	ed: 4		Weath	Weather Condtions at Accident Site: Visual Conditions									
Visibility (F	RVR): Ft.	RVV)	SM	Intensity of Precipitation:									
Restrictions to Visibility: None													
Type of Precipitation: None													
Accident	Information												
Aircraft Da	mage: Substantial		Aircraft Fire	e: None	e: None Aircraft Ex					n None			
Classificati	ion: U.S. Registered/L	J.S. Soil											
- Injury Su	mmary Matrix	Fatal Se	erious Mino	or	None	TOTAL							
First Pi	ilot				1	1]						
Second	d Pilot						1						
Studen	nt Pilot			\neg	1	1	1						
Flight I	nstructor	† †		$\neg \vdash$			1						
Check	Pilot	 		$\neg \vdash$			1						
Flight E	Engineer			$\neg \vdash$			1						
Cabin /	Attendants	1		$\neg \vdash$			1						
Other (Crew						1						
Passer	ngers			$\neg \vdash$			1						
- TOTAL /	ABOARD -	† †		$\neg \vdash$	2	2	,						
Other 0	 Ground						1						
- GRANI	D TOTAL -				2	2	1						
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Administrative Information

Investigator-In-Charge (IIC)

David C. Bowling

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